



Location Map

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- recreation
- wildlife habitat
- endangered and threatened species
- Indian trust assets and cultural resources

Development of the DSEIS will rely in large part on the use of existing data and analyses that provide engineering, economic, and environmental information for many of the alternatives. Preparation of the DSEIS will be a cooperative effort among federal and state agencies and the two Colorado Ute Tribes, the Southern Ute Indian and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribes.

It is anticipated that the DSEIS will be released for public review and comment in December 1999, with public hearings to be held in January 2000. A Final SEIS will be issued in May 2000 and a Record of Decision issued in June 2000. Future issues of this newsletter will report on the progress of the SEIS preparation process.

Glossary

Environmental Impact

Statement (EIS): A document prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) which describes and analyzes the significant impacts of a project, along with various alternatives to that project, and discusses ways to reduce or avoid those effects.

Scoping: A process used to solicit input from federal, state and local agencies, as well as interested citizens and organizations, on the issues which they believe should be addressed in the environmental impact statement prepared for the project.

Supplemental EIS: An EIS which supplements an earlier EIS when there are significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the proposed action or its impacts.

Timeline of Project

